

KEEL OF ANOTHER BIG STEAMER BEING LAID

Actual Construction Work Started on Vessel for Associated Oil Company.

SEVEN OTHERS TO LAY DOWN

Keels For Four Passengers and Freight Steamers For Morgan Line. Two Vessels of Similar Type for Ocean Steamship Company and One Destroyer Yet to Be Laid.

Actual construction work on another big steamship has been started at the local shipyard. This vessel is an oil-tank steamer for the Associated Oil Company of San Francisco, Cal., and the laying of her keel began this week. She is known at the shipyard as hull No. 127 and will be one of the largest and best equipped oil tank steamers ever built here.

Seven To Be Laid Down.

Seven other vessels are yet to be laid down at the shipyard. They include four big freight and passenger steamships for the Southern Pacific Company, formerly the Morgan Line, and two freight and passenger steamships for the Ocean Steamship Company and one torpedo boat destroyer of the same type as the destroyer Terry, which is to be launched tomorrow. The keel for one of the Ocean Steamship Company's vessels, which will be known at the yard as hull No. 129, will be laid down on the stocks now occupied by the destroyer Terry. It will require at least a year to complete all of these vessels.

Rushing Work on Steamer.

Satisfactory progress is being made in the construction of the three big passenger steamers now building on the stocks. The big steamer Wilhelmina, building for the Mattson Navigation Company, of San Francisco, Cal., will be launched next month. This vessel is one of the largest freight and passenger steamers built here since the Siberia and Korea were completed.

The freight and passenger steamers Bear and Beaver, building for the San Francisco and Portland Steamship Company, are being pushed with all possible rapidity. These vessels are for delivery next month. Rapid work is also being done on the oil barges building on the extreme north side of the yard for the Standard Oil Company.

More Men Are Needed.

Besides the general steel work to be done on the new vessels, there will be an enormous amount of joiner work and painting and men in these departments are badly needed now and others will be needed later on. All of the engines and boilers for the ships are to be built here and those two departments will be kept going at full blast for many months to come on this work alone.

Social Personal

Miss Susie Brett entertained very charmingly at cards yesterday morning at her home on Twenty-ninth street, is honor of Miss Bessie Loder, of Wilmington, N. C.

Miss Fannie Willock has returned home after spending several weeks in the mountains and with friends in Petersburg.

Miss Lulu Little and daughter, of Tallahassee, Ala., are visiting Mrs. Little's sister, Miss Mary Gibson.

Mrs. L. B. Reynolds and daughter, Little Lucille, have returned to their home in Bluefield, W. Va., after spending several weeks with relatives and friends in Newport News and vicinity.

Miss Rosa B. Fisch, of Birmingham, Ala., is visiting Mrs. Frances C. Stewart, on Thirtieth street.

Miss Minnie Hamilton left last night for Baltimore to be the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. G. Welsh.

Mrs. S. A. Stillman and grand children have returned to their home in Lynchburg after a visit of some time to relatives in this city.

Rev. Charles William Sommerville, pastor of the Crescent Hill Presbyterian church is visiting his brother, Mr. James A. Sommerville, in East End.

Mrs. W. C. Wood who is visiting friends in Pittsylvania will return to the city tomorrow.

Mrs. F. C. Bivins and son, Ollie, will leave tomorrow for a visit of several days to friends in New York and Philadelphia.

Miss Lucy Buckman who has been the guests of friends in Washington for the past few weeks has returned to her home in this city.

Miss Mary Clark and Miss Blanche Bohrer are the guests of Miss Bohrer's sister, Mrs. E. M. Watt, at the Colonial apartments.

Mr. Thomas J. Caffron, of Rich-

mond, was a recent visitor to the city.

Mrs. J. A. Bragg, of Forty-fifth street has as her guest Miss Braithwaite of Harrisonburg.

Mrs. C. V. Sutton and daughter, Edna, left yesterday for a visit of some time to relatives in Waynesboro.

Mrs. A. P. Smith is visiting friends in the mountains of Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Blanton left yesterday for a ten days' trip to Boston.

Miss Nellie Frank left yesterday afternoon for Ocean View where she will be the guest of friends for the next week.

Miss Mary Louise Turner who has been spending the summer at Urbanna is now the guest of friends at Richmond.

Messrs. John Bruning and Albert Gwaltney have returned from a ten days' trip to New York City.

Mr. S. S. Archibald was in Richmond yesterday on a business trip.

Mrs. Moore, of Birmingham, Ala., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. E. Morgan, on Twenty-ninth street.

Mr. W. C. Harris and family left yesterday for Charlottesville, where they will be the guests of relatives for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Harris are the guests of friends in Harrisonburg.

Mrs. P. J. Trenworth and Miss Ruth Gildersleeve left yesterday morning for a visit to friends in Staunton.

Mrs. O. L. Powell and children are visiting friends in the mountains of Virginia.

Mrs. Thomas Eubank and little son are visiting friends in the mountains of Virginia.

Miss Anna Nachman and little sister, Rose, who have been the guests of friends in Baltimore and Washington, have returned to their homes in this city.

Miss Bertha Bishop, of Waverly, is the guest of her brother, Mr. T. L. Bishop, on Forty-eighth street.

Mrs. T. E. Beckner, of Roanoke, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Martin Schwallenburg, on Thirty-eighth street.

Mrs. B. R. Gary and children are the guests of relatives in Charles City County for the week.

Miss Lena Wheeler has as her guest her cousin, Miss Ruth Sherman, of Washington.

Miss Clara Phelps is the guest of friends in Baltimore.

Miss Mary Turpin, of Manchester, is the guest of Mrs. W. G. Hartwell, on Jefferson avenue.

Mrs. W. S. Smith and daughter, Miss Mary Smith, have returned from a visit to North Carolina.

GREEK PAINFULLY CUT; CAN'T SAY WHO DID IT

Complainant at Police Station Exhibits Wounds and Says Three Men Assaulted Him.

A Greek with a name that sounded like a college yell walked into the police station last night shortly before 10 o'clock and for at least two minutes gesticulated wildly. When persuaded by signs that looked to the casual observer much like wig wagging, to stop, he finally made it known to the police that he had been cut. Not accepting the man's story, he was made to partially disrobe and not until then were two ugly gashes discovered. One about an inch long was deeply cut into his left arm, while another not so deep was seen just over his heart.

The Greek could understand little and could tell much less. Finally, however, through signs, and pictures drawn on a piece of paper, the police were made to understand that he had been cut by three men somewhere on Thirtieth street. He also made everybody understand that the men "make much noise."

An officer was sent over with the man to investigate the case and upon arriving at the scene was introduced to a Greek who wore store clothes and eye glasses and according to the one that had been cut was "fine educated." However, the educated gentleman could throw no light on the mystery and simply persisted in saying "me no stand."

The police are of the opinion that it was a row between several Greeks and that the man, cut simply came over in the hope of getting medical attention free and with no intention of giving the name of his assailants to the department.

DE LEON DISMISSED.

Amount of Board Bill Paid Through Police Court.

Manuel V. DeLeon, the young Mexican who was some time ago arrested on the charge of attempting to defraud Mrs. Walker out of a board bill amounting to \$67.20, was discharged yesterday morning in the police court when the amount of the bill was turned over to Justice Brown for payment to Mrs. Walker.

Mr. T. M. Benson turned the money over to the justice in behalf of De Leon.

BATTLESHIPS ARE AT TARGET-PRACTICE NOW

Most Interesting Work of Manoeuvres Begins Under Ideal Weather Conditions.

SPECIAL TARGET USED AT NIGHT

Torpedo Boats Nicholson and O'Brien Towed Through Hampton Roads on Trial Spin Preparatory to Service as Marks For Big Guns of Fleet—Prize Money.

Under weather conditions which were well nigh ideal for the work, the Atlantic battleship fleet, under Rear-Admiral Schroeder, was engaged in record stationary target practice yesterday on the Southern drill grounds, thirty miles off the Virginia Capes.

For this work there are four ranges with two targets for each range and an additional target for night work, in which the ships are to engage from this time on. The stationary targets were especially constructed for this work at the Norfolk navy yard. They are stationed between buoys with screen hoists aloft. The object of the gunners on shipboard is to pierce the screens with projectiles at 1,600 yards, and other distances.

The night stationary target practice is particularly interesting. This is carried on while the searchlights from the firing ships play on the ranges and thus furnish light for the gunnery aim. With this stationary record work in progress, a number of chief ordnance draftsmen and others from the ordnance plant at Washington are distributed among the ships of the fleet. These are observing practically gunnery work and the effect of the firing upon the ordnance construction. Among the ordnance officials with the fleet are Lieutenant Commander L. C. Palmer, Inspector of target practice; and Lieutenant H. A. Fairlie, of the former's Washington office.

The "battle practice" with the torpedo boats Nicholson and O'Brien as actual targets will not begin until the stationary work has been completed, which, it is said, may be a week or ten days yet.

Given Trial "Spin."

The torpedo boat O'Brien, with her improvised masts, between which will be stretched canvas for the "battle target" work while the boats themselves are being towed about the drill grounds, had a trial "spin" in Hampton Roads yesterday. She was towed about the Roads by a tug. The O'Brien and Nicholson are being held in readiness at the Norfolk navy yard when the wireless message from the fleet calls them to sea at the time that the fleet gets ready to begin the record practice.

According to gunners and seamen from the fleet, the "battle practice" with the torpedo boats will be extremely interesting and the gunners of the fleet are anxiously waiting for it to begin. Each of the fifteen big battleships of the fleet will take turns firing at the screens between the masts of the torpedo boats. The battleships will move at a speed of about ten knots when firing at the targets and the torpedo boats will be towed across the drill grounds by tugs.

Use Big Guns.

The battleships will use the 12-inch, 8-inch, 7-inch and 6-inch rifles in shooting at the target. The ship making the greatest number of hits with all classes of guns in the allotted time for each ship will receive large sums in prize money to be divided between the gunners and gun crews. This is, of course, a big incentive for the men. And then there is the natural pride which the men take in making records at the target practice.

The record practice is to continue nearly a month and the big battleships will be in motion all the time, those that are not firing are steaming around out of range of the firing ship. Night practice also will be held, the firing ship using her searchlights to light up the targets for the gunners.

Battleships in Roads.

The battleship New Hampshire, which came into the Roads Wednesday night, was joined yesterday by the Idaho and Mississippi. The vessels are at anchor off Old Point adjusting their gun sights preparatory to beginning the stationary range work.

Yesterday the wind on the drill grounds was blowing ten miles from the north, with a lighter sea than that of Wednesday.

MAY SELL RACING PROPERTY.

New York Capitalist Said to Be After Jamestown Track.

According to the story told last night by a prominent citizen of the city who refused to make his name public, negotiations are now pending and are in fact practically concluded for the sale of the franchise and property of the Jamestown Racing Association to a prominent New York capitalist.

The deal has almost been consummated according to the Newport News citizen, who says he talked with the president of the association in Norfolk yesterday, and the New York firm will improve the grounds and course and will put on a better class of racing than has been exhibited on the tracks heretofore.

JUDGE MANN WRITES HE WILL TRY TO COME

Chairman O'Donnell Receives Letter From Democratic Candidate for Governor—Labor Day Plans.

Chairman J. J. O'Donnell, of the Central Labor Union committee on arrangements for the Labor Day celebration, received a letter last night from Judge William Hodges Mann, Democratic gubernatorial nominee, announcing that he will endeavor to come over to Newport News from Ocean View on Labor Day afternoon to make an address at the big celebration of the local union on the Casino grounds. While the Judge does not state positively that he will come here, Mr. O'Donnell feels satisfied that Judge Mann will be on hand for the celebration and will direct his arrangements for the speaking with that idea in view.

Judge Mann's Letter. Following is the letter from Judge Mann:

"Nottoway, Va., Aug. 18, 1909.

"J. J. O'Donnell, Esq.,

"2411 Oak avenue,

"Newport News, Va.

"Dear Mr. O'Donnell:—

"Please accept my thanks for your kind invitation to attend the celebration of the Central Labor Union of Newport News, September 6, Labor Day, and make an address. I am, as you doubtless already know, engaged to make an address at Ocean View, but will try to be with you on the afternoon of that day. I consider it an honor to be asked to address the union that you represent.

"Yours most truly,

"Wm. H. MANN."

Everybody Wanted in Parade.

Several members of fraternal organizations here have asked the committee of the Central body to be permitted to enter floats in the big parade for their organizations. The committee has issued a cordial invitation for all organizations in the city to put floats in the parade and all organizations and individuals desiring to do so should communicate with Mr. Frank S. Lyon, chairman of the committee on parade.

Rode on Sidewalk; Fined \$3.50.

E. P. Watson, a collector, got in hot pursuit of some one yesterday morning and rode his bicycle on the sidewalk in violation of the city ordinances. He was arrested and fined \$3.50.

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—Mrs. CHARLES BARCLAY, R.F.D., Graniteville, Vt.

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NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

The new directory of the Southern Bell Telephone Company of Virginia has been delivered to the subscribers in Newport News by Manager R. M. McCandish.

The new directory is attractive in appearance and contains all the new subscribers, changes, and corrections in listings to June 15th, 1909.

The number of new names appearing in the listing would indicate that there are constant additions to the number of subscribers in Newport News and vicinity and the telephone development is continuous.

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